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SUBJECT: US CUSTOMS CCINC SENIOR-LEVEL OBSERVATION PROGRAM
FOR BULGARIAN CUSTOMS

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B. CUSTOMS 6649

1. REPORT REF A OF OCTOBER 25-28 BONEV/TSVETKOV
VISIT DATES WAS RESULT OF MISUNDERSTANDING. BONEV
AND TSVETKOV WISH TO DEPART FROM BULGARIA DURING
OCTOBER 26-28 PERIOD TO STAY IN US FOR ONE MONTH.
(TSVETKOV SAID "UNTIL END OF NOVEMBER.")

2. TSVETKOV SAID BONEV AND HE WOULD SUGGEST ONLY
SMALL CHANGES IN PROGRAM PREVIOUSLY DISCUSSED WITH
US CUSTOMS OFFICIALS IN BULGARIA AND THAT THOSE
CHANGES COULD BE MADE AFTER ARRIVAL IN WASHINGTON.
HE REAFFIRMED THEIR DESIRE TO TRAVEL VIA EUROPEAN
CITY WITH DIRECT AIR RMNK TO WASHINGTON AND MENTIONED
OVERNIGHT IN LONDON.

3. EMBASSY REGRETS CONFUSION.
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